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## CERTIFIED MAIL-RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Ms Antoinette Kitchen  
Reports Analyst  
Federal Election Commission  
Washington, DC 20463

RE: ID# C00325357  
July (6/1/00-6/30/00)

Dear Ms Kitchen,

In response to your letter of April 25, 2001, we are in the process of amending our report in accordance with the instructions for H schedules. However, to assure correct year-to-date totals, it is necessary for us to amend prior reports before amending this report.

In 2000 we did attempt to file electronically. On our initial filing we were not reporting any activity for schedules H2, H3 and H4. When we were required on the next month to use those forms, we learned that our software could not complete schedules H2, H3 and H4. Therefore we are unable to electronically file accurate reports. We were advised that filing electronically was not mandatory until 2001. Our software vendor has upgraded their software to support H schedules and it is our understanding that this upgrade will allow us to file electronically with the Commission all 2001 reports.

Through a simple mistake, we wrote a check from our federal account to pay for a state campaign finance law (non-federal) software program. This software is solely related to Pioneer PAC's compliance with state laws. It has no federal function as the attached invoice makes evident. When we realized our mistake, we transferred \$2,700 from the state account to the federal account. Since the software is exclusively for non-federal reporting, it appears clear that it should not be allocated on any basis as a joint federal/non federal expense. The state software expense should not be listed or reported in any manner as a federal expense, since that would be a misleading characterization. We are simply correcting a clerical error regarding checkbooks. A check was written on the wrong account. Based on these facts, which may not have been clear to you, we believe you may wish to reconsider your earlier recommendations regarding this transaction. Although we believe we have correctly reported this disbursement mistake and transfer, would you please instruct us as to how we can show the above referenced situation on your forms.